

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	)	Confirmation No.: 2420
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Jean-Louis Baffier, et al.	)	Group Art No.: 2167
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Serial No.: 09/872,235	)	Examiner: Miranda Le
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For: TECHNIQUES FOR AUTOMATICALLY	)	
PROVISIONING A DATABASE OVER	)	
A WIDE AREA NETWORK	)	

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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed August 22, 2007, the Advisory Action mailed November 8, 2007, and closely follows the Request for Continuing Examination filed on November 20, 2007. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the patent application in view of the following remarks.

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Remarks begin on page 26.